Action Levels for Lead in Food Intended for Babies and Young Children; Draft Guidance for Industry

rait Guidance for Indust RIN No. 0910-ZB09

Meeting with Consumer Health Groups Monday, October 31, 2022 from 2:00 to 2:30 pm ET

AGENDA

Agenda:

- Introductions Joanna Slaney, EDF
- *Overview Charlotte Brody, HBBF*
- 5% Cap on Market Impact Ignores Public Health Thomas Galligan, CSPI
- Cost of Ingredients in Food is Less than 2% Scott Faber, EWG
- \$1 billion in Benefits From 6% Drop in Daily Intake of Lead Tom Neltner, EDF
- 7 Million Children Exceed FDA's Interim Reference Level Tom Neltner, EDF
- Role of Continuous Improvement Brian Ronholm, Consumer Reports
- Using Industry and NGO Test Results Charlotte Brody, HBBF
- Conclusions Joanna Slaney, EDF

Consumer Health Group Representatives:

- Environmental Defense Fund (EDF): Joanna Slaney, Tom Neltner, & Maricel Maffini
- Environmental Working Group (EWG): Scott Faber & Melanie Benesh
- Consumer Reports (CR): Brian Ronholm & Michael Hansen
- Healthy Babies Bright Futures (HBBF): Charlotte Brody
- Center for Science in the Public Interest (CSPI): Sarah Sorcher, Thomas Galligan, & Jensen Jose

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Key Resources:

HBBF:

• <u>Is Homemade Baby Food Better?</u> Report (August 2022)

EDF:

- FDA takes action to limit lead in juice, proposes significant but insufficient limits (June 3, 2022)
- Tougher limits on lead in juice would bring more than a billion dollars in socioeconomic benefits (June 7, 2022)
- Getting credible lab results is essential (Aug. 2, 2022)
- Over 7 million children exceed FDA's new daily maximum intake level of lead (Aug. 24, 2022)
- FDA needs to start with public health—not market impact (Sept. 22, 2022)
- FDA's challenge of continuous improvement and compliance assurance (Oct. 2, 2022)